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IB) AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the amendments to claims 10, 15, 20, and 52-54, as shown below.

1. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that is reactive with an extracellular loop(s) of C5aR other than the N-terminal domain, wherein the antibody reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

2. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody according to claim 1, wherein the antibody is

reactive with an epitope comprising the second extracellular loop of C5aR set forth as the amino acid sequence

from residue 175 to 206 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

3. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that is reactive with the same epitope of C5aR as a

monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number 00110609, wherein the antibody reduces

or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

4. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that is reactive with the same epitope of C5aR as a

monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number 02090226, wherein the antibody reduces

or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

5. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that is reactive with the same epitope of C5aR as a

monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number 04090801, wherein the antibody reduces

or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

6. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that binds to C5aR, wherein the antibody

competitively inhibits the binding of a monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number

00110609 to C5aR.

7. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that binds to C5aR, wherein the antibody

competitively inhibits the binding of a monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number

02090226 to C5aR.

8. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody that binds to C5aR, wherein the antibody

competitively inhibits the binding of a monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number

04090801 to C5aR.

9. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody according to claim 1, wherein the comparative

binding specificity is determined by antibody-antibody competition assays in the presence of C5aR or a

polypeptide comprising an extracellular loop of C5aR.

10. (Currently amended) An isolated antibody comprising light and heavy chain sequences

comprising at least [[80%]] 95% amino acid sequence identity to the amino acid sequences as set forth in SEQ ID

NO:19 and SEQ ID NO:21 respectively, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding

of C5a to C5aR.

11.-14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) An isolated antibody comprising substantially the same light and heavy

chain sequences comprising at least [[80%]] 95% amino acid sequence identity to the amino acid sequences as set

forth in SEQ ID NO:15 and SEQ ID NO:17 respectively, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or

inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

16.-19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently amended) An isolated antibody comprising substantially the same light and heavy

chain sequences comprising at least [[80%]] 95% amino acid sequence identity to the amino acid sequences as set

forth in SEQ ID NO:23 and SEQ ID NO:25 respectively, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or

inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

21.-24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody according to claim 1, wherein the antibody also

inhibits activation of neutrophils by a chemoattractant ligand other than C5a.

26. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody according to claim 1, wherein the antibody is a

monoclonal or recombinant antibody.

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27. (Previously Presented) An antibody that is reactive with an extracellular loop(s) of C5aR other

than the N-terminal domain, wherein the antibody reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR, and wherein

the antibody is a chimeric antibody or a humanized antibody.

28. (Previously Presented) An isolated antibody according to claim 1, wherein the antibody is a class

IgG2a or class IgG3 antibody.

29. (Previously Presented) A monoclonal antibody selected from the group consisting of a

monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC under accession number 00110609, a monoclonal antibody as

deposited with ECACC under accession number 02090226, and a monoclonal antibody as deposited with ECACC

under accession number 04090801.

30. (Original) A hybridoma as deposited with ECACC under accession number 00110609.

31. (Original) A hybridoma as deposited with ECACC under accession number 02090226.

32. (Previously Presented) A hybridoma as deposited with ECACC under accession number

04090801.

33. (Previously Presented) A conjugate comprising:

an antibody that is reactive with an extracellular loop(s) of C5aR other than the N-terminal domain,

wherein the antibody reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR; and

a therapeutic agent.

34. (Original) A conjugate according to claim 33, wherein the therapeutic agent is a toxin.

35. (Original) A conjugate according to claim 33, wherein the toxin is a *Pseudomonas* exotoxin or a

derivative thereof.

36. (Previously Presented) A conjugate comprising:

an antibody that is reactive with an extracellular loop(s) of C5aR other than the N-terminal domain,

wherein the antibody reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR;-and

a detectable label

37. (Original) A conjugate according to claim 36, wherein the label is selected from the group

consisting of a radiolabel, a fluorescent label, an enzymatic label and contrast media.

38. (Previously Presented) An isolated nucleic acid molecule, the nucleic acid molecule comprising a

sequence encoding an antibody of claim 1.

39. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising an isolated antibody according to claim 1 and a

pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

40. (Withdrawn) A method for inhibiting the interaction of a cell bearing C5aR with a ligand thereof,

the method comprising exposing the cell to an isolated antibody of claim 1.

41. (Withdrawn) A method for inhibiting C5aR activity in a cell, the method comprising exposing the

cell to an isolated antibody of claim 1.

42. (Withdrawn) A method of treating a disorder involving neutrophil migration in a subject, the

method comprising administering to the subject an isolated antibody of claim 1.

43. (Withdrawn) A method for diagnosing a disorder involving neutrophil migration in a subject, the

method comprising contacting a sample obtained from the subject with a conjugate of claim 36, and detecting

immunospecific binding between the conjugate and the sample.

44. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 43, wherein the method is performed *in vitro* using

histological specimens or subfractions of tissue or fluid obtained from the subject.

45. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 43, wherein the method is performed *in vivo*.

46. (Withdrawn) A method for diagnosing a disorder involving neutrophil migration in a subject, the

method comprising administering to the subject an isolated antibody of claim 1 labeled with an imaging agent

under conditions so as to form a complex between the antibody and cells presenting C5aR in the subject, and

imaging the complex.

47. (Withdrawn) A method according to any one of claim 42, wherein the disorder is an

immunopathological disorder.

48. (Withdrawn) A method for delivering a therapeutic agent to a site of inflammation in a subject,

the method comprising administering to the subject a conjugate of claim 33.

49. (Withdrawn) A method for introducing genetic material into cells presenting C5aR, the method

comprising contacting the cells with an isolated antibody of claim 1, wherein the antibody is attached to or

associated with genetic material.

50. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 49, wherein the cells presenting C5aR are selected

from the group consisting of granulocytes, leukocytes, such as monocytes, macrophages, basophils and

eosinophils, mast cells and lymphocytes including T cells, dendritic cells, and non-myeloid cells such as

endothelial cells and smooth muscle cells.

51. (Withdrawn) A method of treating a disorder involving neutrophil migration in a subject, the

method comprising introducing into cells of the subject a polynucleotide encoding an isolated antibody according

to claim 1 such that the antibody is expressed in vivo.

52. (**Currently amended**) An isolated antibody comprising:

a heavy chain comprising heavy chain CDR loop sequences CDR1, CDR2 and CDR3 as shown in SEQ

ID NO:26, SEQ ID NO:27 and SEQ ID NO:28, respectively; and

a light chain comprising light chain CDR loop sequences as defined by amino acid residues 24 to 39, 55

to 61 and 94 to 102 of the variable light chain sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO:19,

wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

53. (Currently amended) An isolated antibody comprising:

a heavy chain comprising heavy chain CDR loop sequences CDR1, CDR2 and CDR3 as shown in SEQ

ID NO:29, SEQ ID NO:30 and SEQ ID NO:31, respectively; and

a light chain comprising light chain CDR loop sequences as defined by amino acid residues 24 to 39, 55

to 61 and 94 to 102 of the variable light chain sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO:15,

wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

54. (**Currently amended**) An isolated antibody comprising:

a heavy chain comprising heavy chain CDR loop sequences CDR1, CDR2 and CDR3 as shown in SEQ ID NO:32, SEQ ID NO:33 and SEQ ID NO:34, respectively; and

a light chain comprising light chain CDR loop sequences as defined by amino acid residues 24 to 39, 55 to 61 and 94 to 102 of the variable light chain sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO:23,

wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.

- 55. (New) An isolated antibody comprising a light chain comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:19, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.
- 56. (New) An isolated antibody comprising a heavy chain comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:21, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.
- 57. (New) An isolated antibody comprising a light chain comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:15, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.
- 58. (New) An isolated antibody comprising a heavy chain comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:17, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.
- 59. (New) An isolated antibody comprising a light chain comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:23, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.
- 60. (New) An isolated antibody comprising a heavy chain comprising the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:25, wherein the antibody binds to C5aR and reduces or inhibits the binding of C5a to C5aR.